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I believe that the proposed DoJ/Microsoft settlement is grossly inadequate. It is an insult to the DoJ that it make such excellent progress in showing the blatant anti-trust tendencies of Microsoft in court, only to capitulate to Microsoft's interests in this shamble of a settlement.

Priorities should have included:

- \* legitimacy of non-commercial, "open-source" efforts, not just those meeting "reasonable, objective standards established by Microsoft for certifying the authenticity and viability of its business, ..."
- \* full documentation of API's to allow 3rd parties to develop Windows-compatible software and prevent Microsoft from using undocumented API calls and other hooks to make Windows, IE, Office, Outlook, etc. inseperable

The "nine states" counter-proposal shows far greater initiative to achieving these goals and others, WITHOUT compromising Microsoft's or others' ability to pursue business in the marketplace. In the interests of consumers, the DoJ ought to take the "nine states" proposed solution very seriously.

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